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Subject: Proposed Rules pertaining to Numeric Nutrient Standards

Proposed rules pertaining to numeric nutrient standards have been filed with the Montana Secretary of State and copies are available from the Department at the following website:

http://deq.mt.gov/wqinfo/Standards/default.mcpx

Under "new", you will find Board of Environmental Review rules pertaining to numeric nutrient standards (MAR Notice No. 17-356), along with Department Circular DEQ-12A, and Department rules pertaining to variances (MAR Notice No. 17-355) along with Department Circular DEQ-12B. These rules, rule amendments, and Circulars supersede earlier versions posted on the Nutrient Work Group website.

The Department and the Board will hold a public hearing on March 24, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 111 of the Metcalf Building, 1520 E. Sixth Ave., Helena, Montana to consider the proposed adoption of the rules and rule amendments. The Department hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m., and the Board hearing at 2:00 p.m. An informal question and answer session on both rule packages will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Note that the guidance document (also available at the website given above) is not part of the proposed rulemaking. Please contact Eric Urban (<u>EUrban@mt.gov</u>) or Michael Suplee (<u>msuplee@mt.gov</u>) if you have any questions.

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